Councilman Panico Issues Mastic Beach Quality of Life Initiative Progress Report

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Farmingville, NY – Only two months after the dissolution of the Incorporated Village of Mastic Beach, Councilman Dan Panico's Quality of Life Initiative has already produced very impressive results. Prior to the hamlet being returned under Town jurisdiction on January 1, the Councilman promised the residents that he would focus his attention on Mastic Beach and renew his commitment to clean up every neighborhood. Over the years, the hamlet has been plagued by several issues including a sagging economy, a depressed housing market and major weather events such as Superstorm Sandy and Hurricane Irene, that had a severe impact on the quality of life throughout the community.

Supervisor Ed Romaine said, "The hard-working people of Mastic Beach deserve a much better quality of life than they've had in the past and we will not allow this community to be neglected. I commend Councilman Panico for his efforts to do whatever he can to make Mastic Beach a better place to live."

Upon issuing his Quality of Life Initiative Progress Report, Councilman Panico said, "We are raising the quality of standards in the area and are at the forefront of the fight against blight. This is a battle that we will win for the residents. The future of Mastic Beach is bright."

The Mastic Beach Quality of Life Initiative is a joint effort led by Councilman Panico working with the Town of Brookhaven's Department of Recycling and Sustainable Materials Management, Division of Fire Prevention and the Law Department. The progress report includes activities between January 1 and February 28, 2018. To report a quality of life issue in Mastic Beach, or anywhere else in Council District 6, please call Councilman Panico's office at 631-451-6502 or 631-451-TOWN (8696).

The following are actions taken by the Town of Brookhaven are included in the Mastic Beach Quality of Life Initiative Progress Report:

Department of Recycling & Sustainable Materials Management

Unregistered Vehicles:

- 338 Documented by Sanitation Inspectors
- 100 Removed by the owner
- 111 Covered by the owner in compliance with Town Code
- 13 Registered by the owner
- 79 Summons to be issued on or before March 5, 2018
- 35 Inspector follow-ups required

Unlawful Storage of Materials (Tires/Appliances) on Property:

- 3 Documented by Sanitation Inspectors
- 2 Removed by the owner
- 1 Summons to be issued on or before March 5, 2018

Litter on Property:

- 75 Documented by Sanitation Inspectors
- 56 Addressed by the owner
- 6 Litter removed by Town of Brookhaven
- 3 Properties posted with reinspection scheduled between March 1-15, 2018
- 10 Inspector follow-ups required

Metal/White Goods at Curb:

- 11 Documented by Sanitation Inspectors
- 7 Removed by the Town of Brookhaven
- 4 Removed by Carter or others

Special Collection Request:

18 Documented by Sanitation Inspectors

- 14 Removed by the Town of Brookhaven
- 4 Removed by Carter

Division of Fire Prevention

- 18 Properties Inspected
- 232 Violations cited
- 55 Violations corrected by property owner at time of inspection
- 24 Summons issued
- 16 Re-inspections to be scheduled between March 1-31, 2018

Department of Law

- 10 Homes Boarded & Secured
- 15 Homes inspected for possible Board & Secure but deemed unnecessary
- 3 Demolition hearings held with Town Board approving demolition all cases
- 1 Demolished by owner
- 2 In waiting period (expires 3/10/2018) will proceed to demolition if not remedied by owner
- 136 Appearance Tickets issued Primarily mixture of illegal housing, failure to submit rental registration, no building permit, parking on front lawn, and property maintenance violations
- 7 Stop Work Orders issued
- 21 Homes under evaluation for possible demolition.

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